



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

February 12, 2009

The Honorable Lamar Smith
U.S. House of Representatives
2409 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: North Tributary Flood Mitigation Project

Dear Congressman Smith:

We request your support for \$500,000 in FY 2010 funding for a Flood Mitigation Project along the North Tributary of the Guadalupe River.

The New Braunfels area is prone to serious flooding. Since 1997 alone, there have been three disaster declarations resulting from major flood events. The City has a comprehensive, ongoing program to solve these problems. Our current efforts include the North Tributary Flood Mitigation Project. This project is part of our FEMA approved Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. It includes the construction of two large detention ponds, improvements to the channel and the removal of several residential and commercial properties.

The estimated cost of the project is \$6.4 million. The City is working on the design and has scheduled construction to begin in 2010. The City is prepared to provide \$5.9 million, a 92% share. We request support for \$500,000 in FY 2010 Federal funding to assist the City with this important project.

We appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Bruce Boyer", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Bruce Boyer
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